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1. There is a considerable shortage of locomotives in the administrative area of the directorate of the Czechoslovak State Railroads in Plzen (M50/ L 64). During the week 15 - 21 November 1952 the locomotive of the Prague - Cheb (M51/ P 37) express after its arrival at Cheb, was used to pull a freight train from Cheb via As (M51/ P 18) [redacted]

often caused a delay in the return run of the express train to Prague of as much as one hour. This

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3. During the week 9 - 16 November 1952 it was ascertained at the Selb-Ploessberg station that three freight cars loaded with Czech coal had been partially looted on the Czech side of the border. Empty spaces behind the car doors were found, resulting apparently from the removal of part of the load during transportation.

the thefts resulted from the fact that coal deliveries to Czechoslovak households during this winter are in a hopeless situation. [redacted] even railroad employees have tried several times to acquire coal for their households in this manner.

4. In the Karlov Vary (N51/P 69) region about 75 per cent of the sugar beets had not been harvested by 23 November 1952. Work in fields with an altitude of more than 1650 feet above sea level has become impossible as the fields are buried under four to eight inches of snow.

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